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The Road to Recovery: An Update on COVID-19 in Rock County

Rock County, WI – This March marks the three-year anniversary of the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. While COVID-19 continues to spread in the community, cases and hospitalizations have been greatly reduced. As Rock County continues to recover, the Rock County Public Health Department (RCPHD) is providing updates and information on some upcoming changes to COVID-19 resources in the County.

Summit Clinical Labs will be ending their COVID-19 testing sites in Janesville and Beloit on Friday March 31 and Friday, April 28, respectively. RCPHD began their partnership with Summit Clinical Labs in November 2021 to increase Rock County's COVID-19 testing capacity during the peaks of the pandemic. Both sites will continue to offer walk-in testing until their closing dates. Visit the [Summit Clinical Labs website](#) for more information on each site's hours and locations

Testing is still a great way to prevent spread of the virus. Individuals should continue to get tested if they have COVID-19 symptoms, or if they were exposed to someone with COVID-19. Visit the [Wisconsin DHS website](#) to learn more about other COVID-19 testing options, including at-home test kits.

RCPHD is also updating and restructuring its COVID-19 webpages. The new COVID-19 webpage contains the same information hosted on the previous COVID-19 webpages, just in a more concise format that is easier to navigate. The new COVID-19 webpage is now [live](#).

As of April 1, 2023, RCPHD will be phasing out weekly COVID-19 reporting due to low case activity. This transition will impact both the [Rock County COVID-19 Update](#) and the [Rock County COVID-19 Data Dashboard for Schools](#). COVID-19 data for Rock County will continue to be available through the [CDC](#) and [Wisconsin DHS](#) through links on RCPHD's website.

RCPHD continues to encourage Rock County residents who are not [up to date](#) on their COVID-19 vaccines to get vaccinated for better protection against the virus. Visit [Vaccines.gov](#) for more information on Rock County's COVID-19 vaccination opportunities.

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